COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF MEADE COUNTY)
WATER DISTRICT FOR A CERTIFICATE)
OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A SYSTEM) Case No. 2021-00087
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND AN ORDER)
APPROVING A CHANGE IN RATES AND)
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES)
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.023)

Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information

Meade County Water District ("Meade District"), by Counsel, hereby files its Response to the Commission Staff's First Request for Information, dated March 25, 2021, as follows:

REQUEST 1: Refer to the Application, Exhibit D, Certificate of Chairman. The Chairman of Meade District certifies "That the rates of the District shall produce the total revenue requirements set out in the engineering reports." Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:069, Section 2(6)(c), provides the proposed rates, if any, shall produce the total revenue requirements recommended in the engineering reports. Provide a copy of the billing analysis in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, columns, and rows unprotected and fully accessible, showing revenue at current rates and at proposed rates based on actual and forecasted water usage for the existing system for 12 months that supports the revenue requirement recommended in the Engineering Report and referenced by the Chairman of Meade District.

WITNESS: Tim Gossett, Manager, Meade County Water District.

RESPONSE 1: the requested Billing Analysis is being filed with this Response.

REQUEST 2: Provide a schedule in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, columns, and rows unprotected and fully accessible showing that Meade District will meet the debt service coverage requirements of its lenders (existing and proposed long-term debt) for the three years following the completion of its proposed construction project. Include all calculations, assumptions (customer growth and increases in operation expenses), and workpapers used by Meade District in its response.

WITNESS: Tim Gossett, Manager, Meade County Water District.

RESPONSE 2: the requested future debt service coverage calculations are being filed with this Response.

REQUEST 3: Provide a schedule in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, columns, and rows unprotected and fully accessible showing Meade District's debt service coverage (existing and proposed long-term debt), including full recovery of its depreciation expense (existing plant and the completed project) for the three years following the completion of its proposed construction project. Include all calculations, assumptions (customer growth and increases in operation expenses), and workpapers used by Meade District in its response.

WITNESS: Tim Gossett, Manager, Meade County Water District.

RESPONSE 3: the requested projected debt service coverage calculations are being filed with this Response.

Certification of Responses to Commission Staff's First Request for Information

I hereby certify that I have supervised the preparation of the Responses to the Commission Staff's First Request for Information. This information provided in the Responses is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

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Tim Gossett, Manager Meade County Water District

The undersigned has prepared this Response as Counsel to and on behalf of the Meade County Water District, a governmental agency, and hereby certifies that this Response is true and accurate to the best of the undersign's knowledge, information and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Respectfully Submitted:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, hereby certifies that Meade County Water District's electronic filing of the foregoing Response is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Kentucky Public Service Commission on April 5, 2021; that there are currently no parties that the Kentucky Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that this Response in paper medium will be delivered to the offices of the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Frankfort, Kentucky in accordance with the mandates set forth in the Commission's March 16, 2020 and March 24, 2020 Orders in Case No. 2020-00085 within 30 days of the lifting of the current state of emergency.

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